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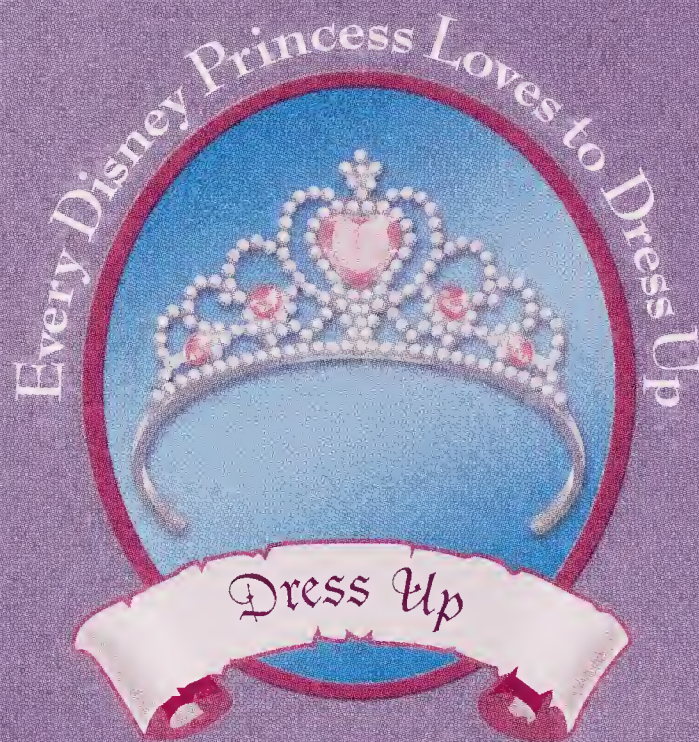


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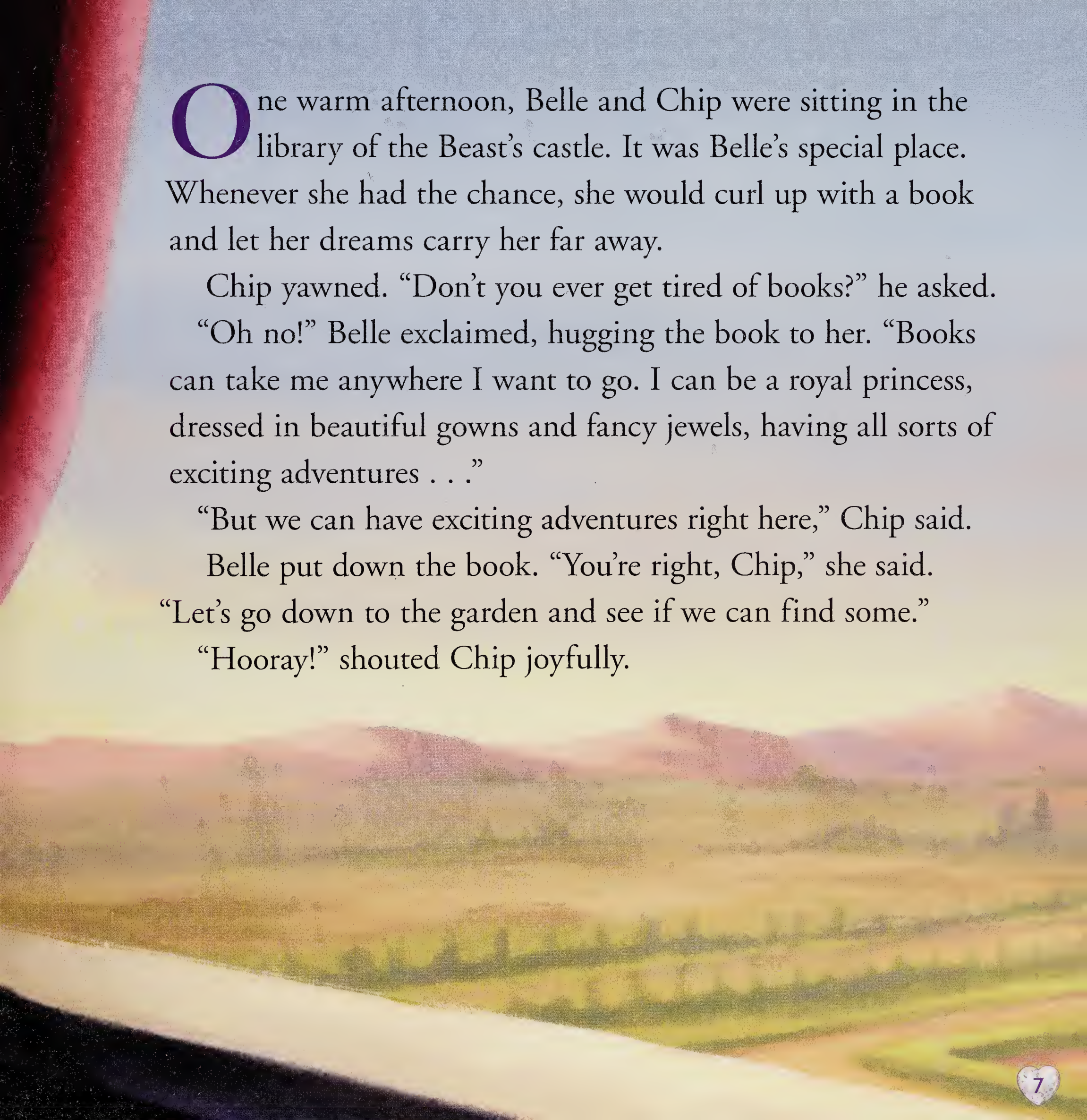
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One warm afternoon, Belle and Chip were sitting in the library of the Beast's castle. It was Belle's special place. Whenever she had the chance, she would curl up with a book and let her dreams carry her far away.

Chip yawned. "Don't you ever get tired of books?" he asked.

"Oh no!" Belle exclaimed, hugging the book to her. "Books can take me anywhere I want to go. I can be a royal princess, dressed in beautiful gowns and fancy jewels, having all sorts of exciting adventures . . ."

"But we can have exciting adventures right here," Chip said.

Belle put down the book. "You're right, Chip," she said. "Let's go down to the garden and see if we can find some."

"Hooray!" shouted Chip joyfully.



Belle danced down the garden path with Chip leading the way. "Look, Chip," she called. "I am a royal princess, and you can be my prince!"

Overhearing Belle's laughter, the Beast looked outside. "She's dreaming of being somewhere else, with someone else," he thought. "If only I could make her happy here with me."



Suddenly Belle stopped.

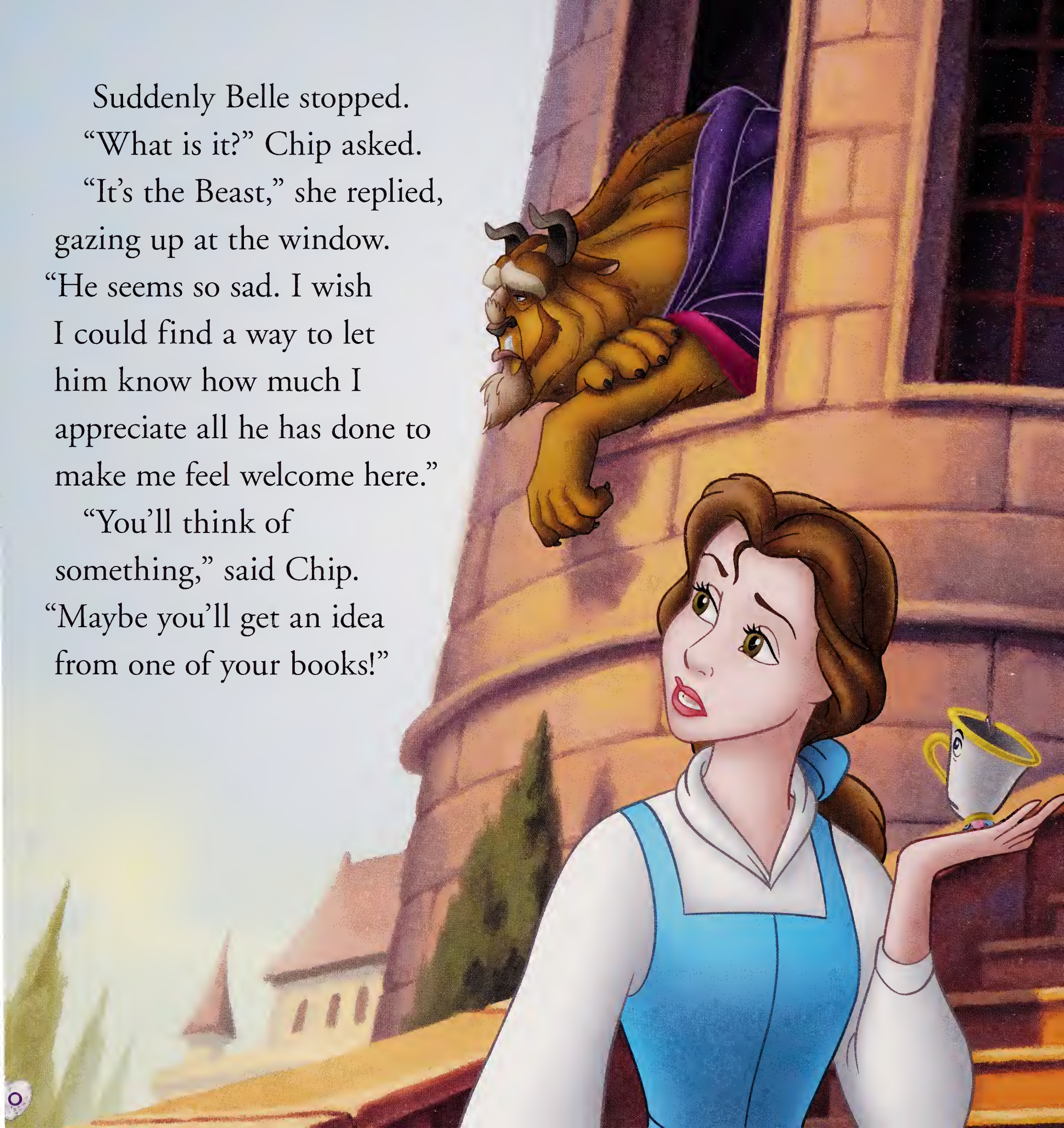
“What is it?” Chip asked.

“It’s the Beast,” she replied, gazing up at the window.

“He seems so sad. I wish I could find a way to let him know how much I appreciate all he has done to make me feel welcome here.”

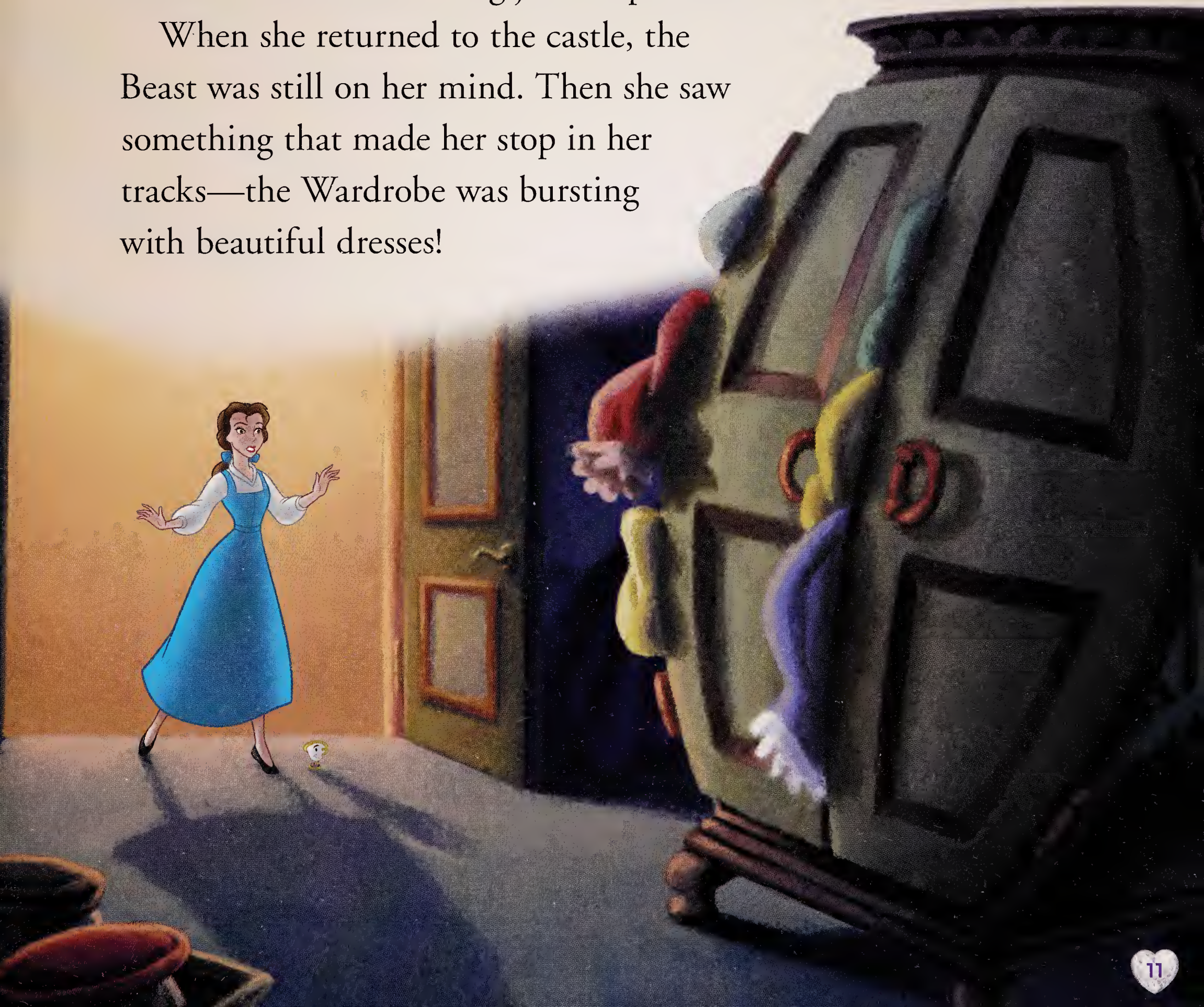
“You’ll think of something,” said Chip.

“Maybe you’ll get an idea from one of your books!”



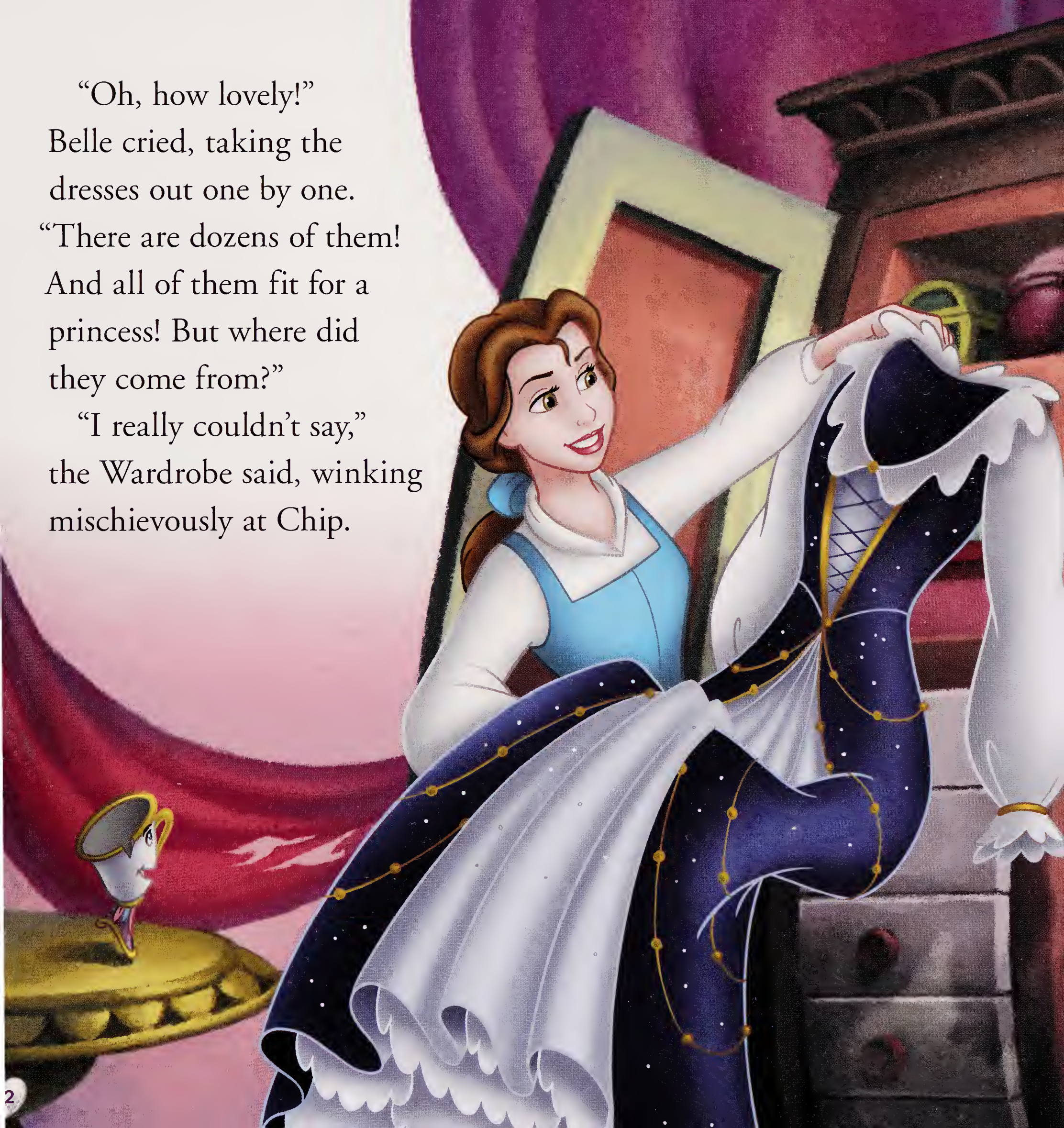
“The Beast gave me the library and all the books in it,” Belle said. “It was the most thoughtful gift I’ve ever received. I must think of something just as special for him.”

When she returned to the castle, the Beast was still on her mind. Then she saw something that made her stop in her tracks—the Wardrobe was bursting with beautiful dresses!



“Oh, how lovely!”
Belle cried, taking the
dresses out one by one.
“There are dozens of them!
And all of them fit for a
princess! But where did
they come from?”

“I really couldn’t say,”
the Wardrobe said, winking
mischievously at Chip.





“Try one on,” urged Chip, hopping up and down with excitement. Belle simply couldn’t resist. With a smile, she put on a beautiful gown of midnight blue, sparkling with precious gems.



“Oh, Chip!” Belle cried. “Have you ever seen anything so pretty?” With that, Belle began to hum and dance around the room.

“Belle, look!” Chip said suddenly. A book on a delicate golden chain was peeking out from a pocket of one of the other dresses in the Wardrobe.

Belle came over and gently lifted the book from the pocket. “How tiny it is!” she said with wonder.



Carefully, Belle carried the little book to the kitchen to show Mrs. Potts.

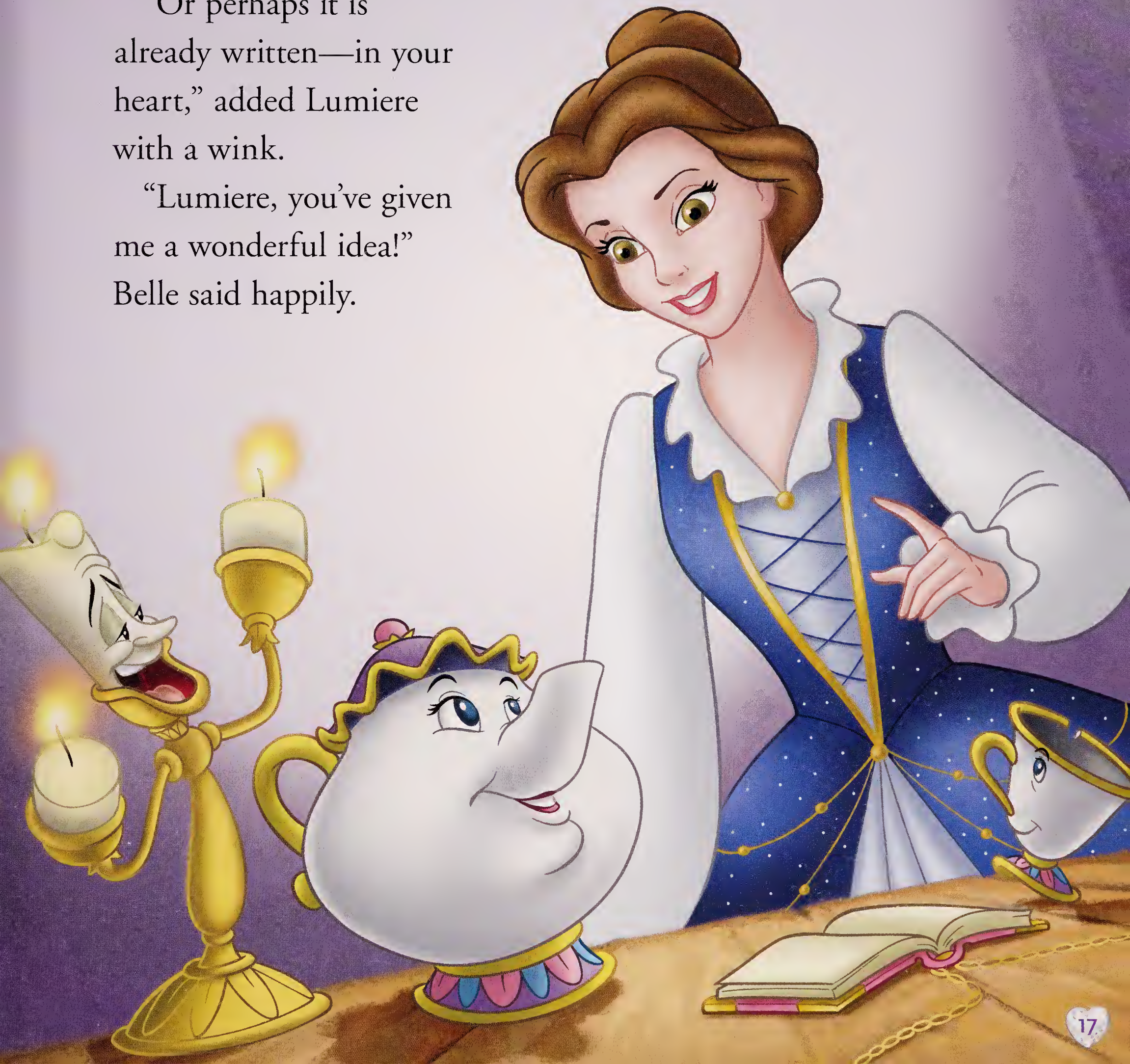
“But the pages are blank!” Mrs. Potts said in surprise.

“That’s odd,” Belle remarked. “Maybe the story hasn’t been written yet.”



“Or perhaps it is already written—in your heart,” added Lumiere with a wink.

“Lumiere, you’ve given me a wonderful idea!” Belle said happily.



That evening, Belle returned to the Wardrobe. After some thought, she selected a red satin dress. "This will be perfect," she said happily.

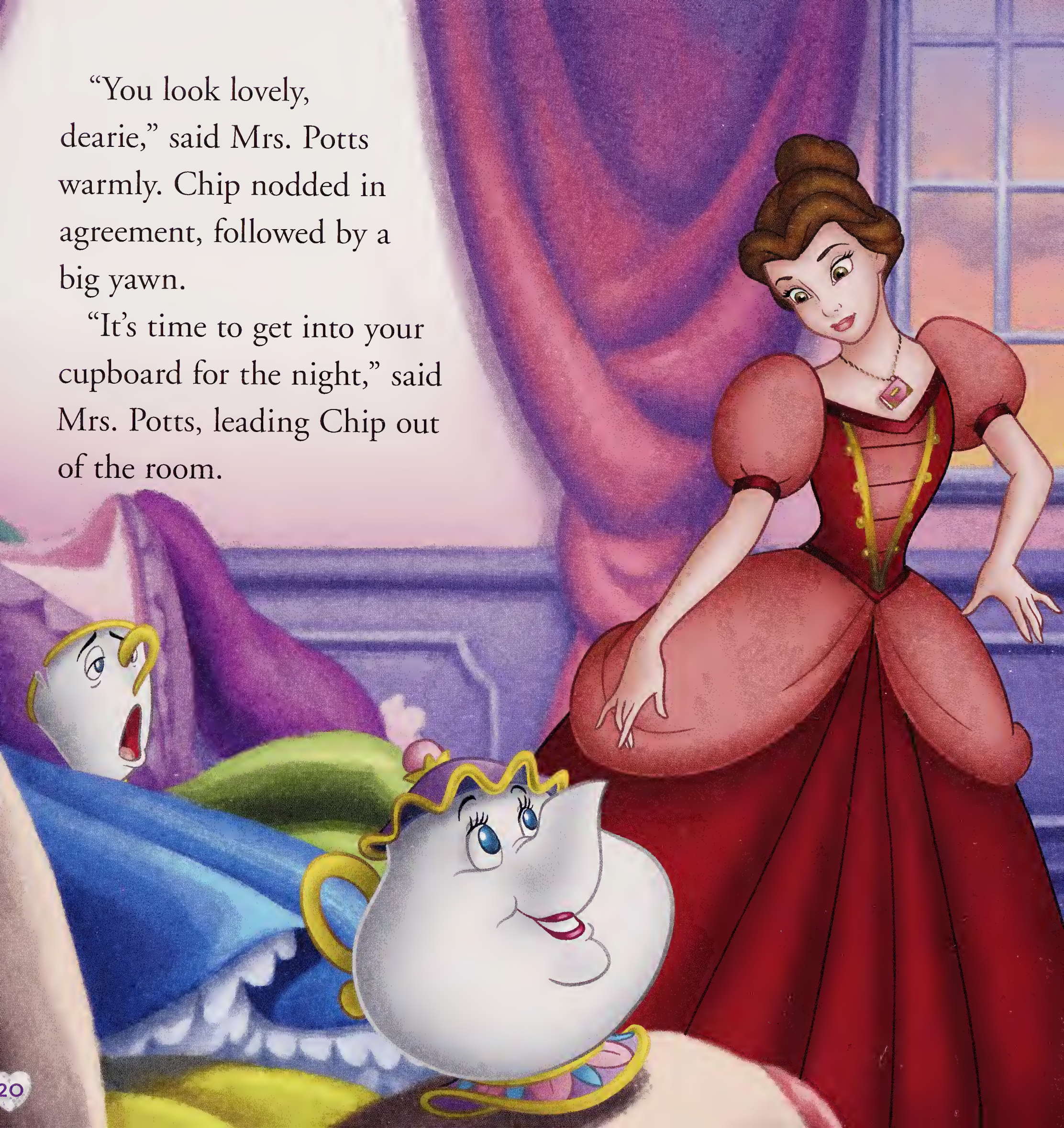
She clasped the chain around her neck and touched the little book for luck. Then with help from the Wardrobe and Mrs. Potts, Belle put on her beautiful dress.





“You look lovely, dearie,” said Mrs. Potts warmly. Chip nodded in agreement, followed by a big yawn.

“It’s time to get into your cupboard for the night,” said Mrs. Potts, leading Chip out of the room.





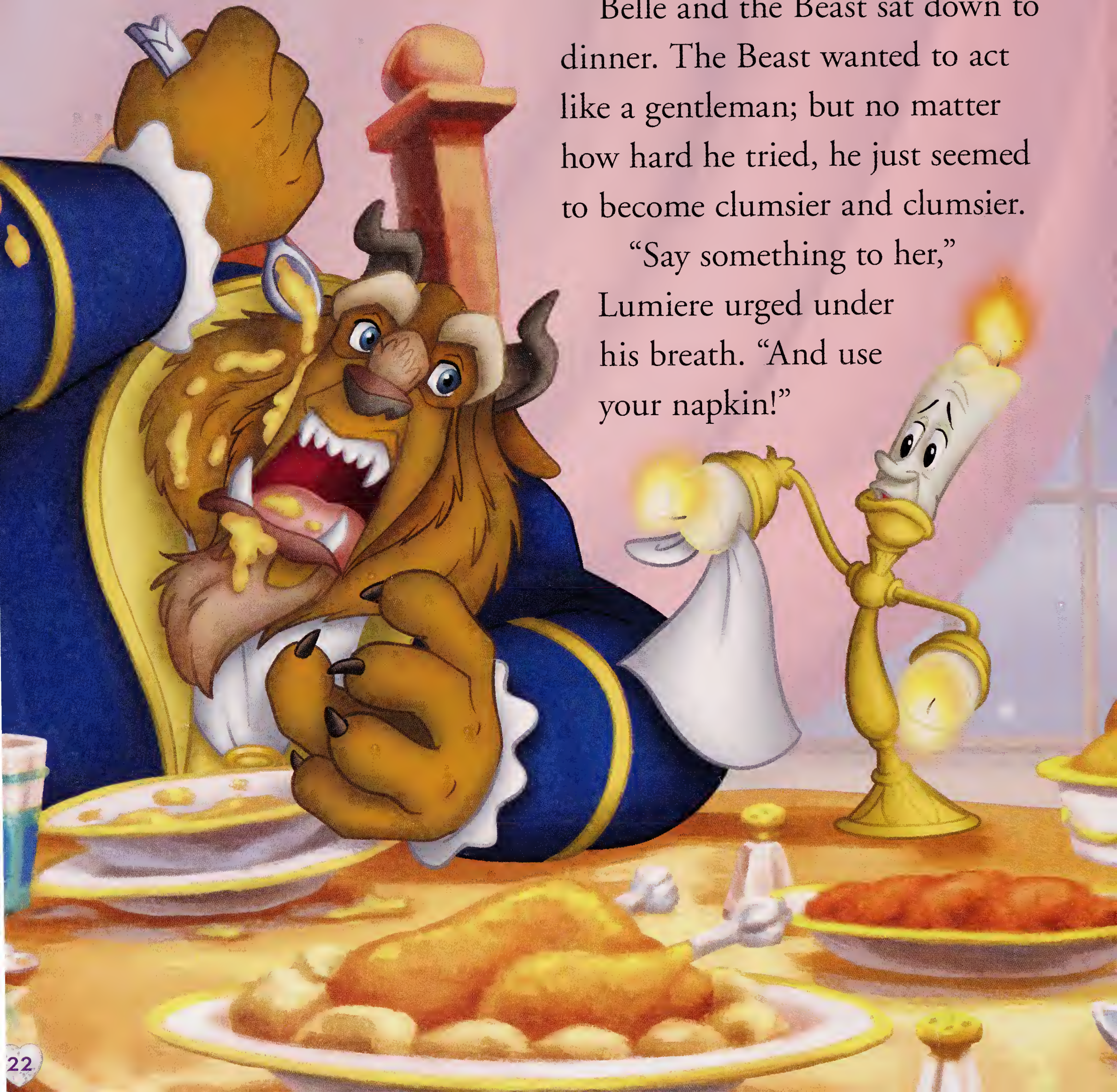
As Belle came downstairs, the Beast was waiting for her.
“Belle . . . you look . . . you’re so . . . ,” he stammered.

“Thank you,” Belle said simply with a smile.

The Beast wanted to say more, but he was afraid he would sound foolish. Instead, he bowed and led her into the dining hall.

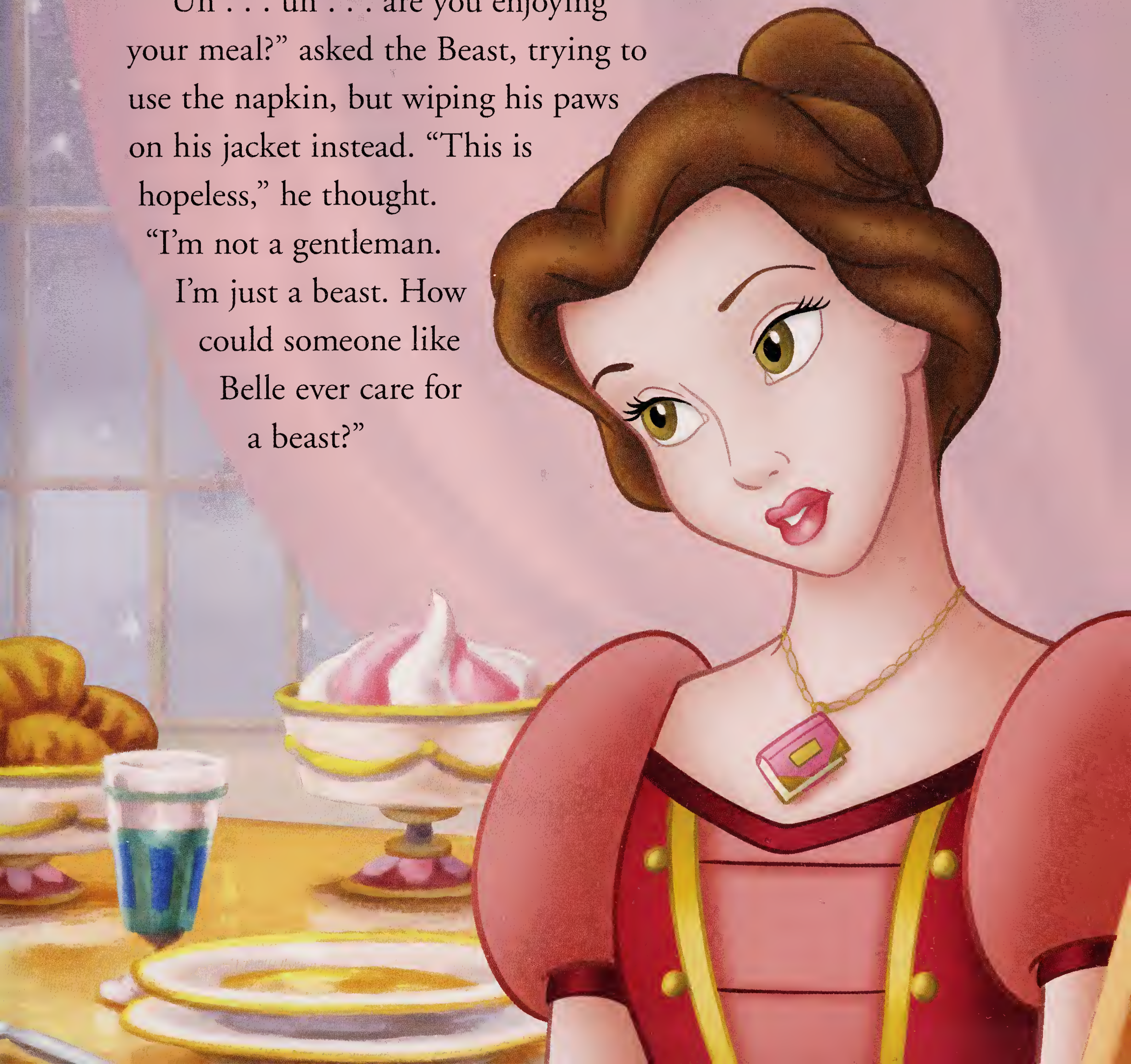
Belle and the Beast sat down to dinner. The Beast wanted to act like a gentleman; but no matter how hard he tried, he just seemed to become clumsier and clumsier.

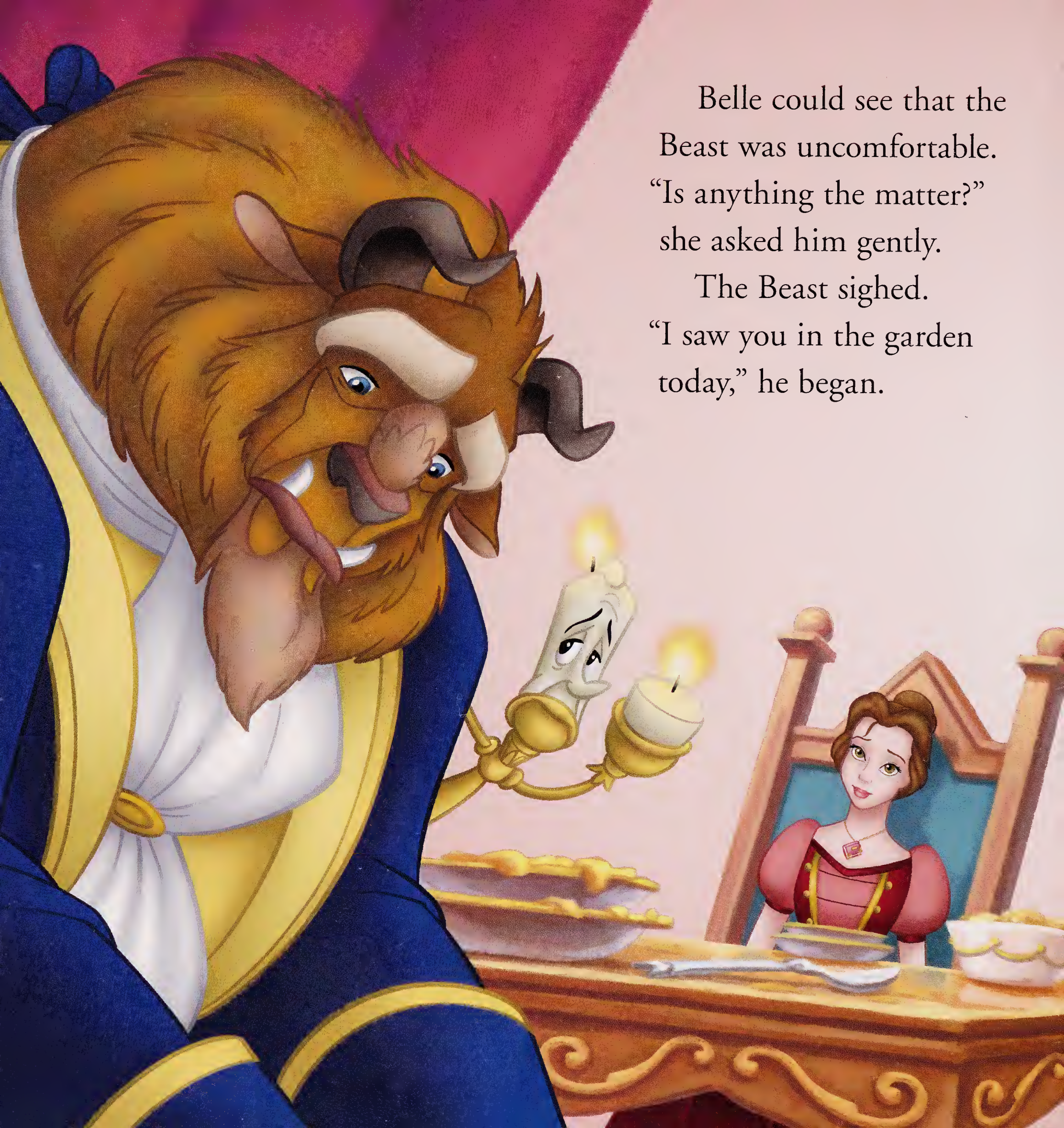
“Say something to her,”
Lumiere urged under
his breath. “And use
your napkin!”



“Uh . . . uh . . . are you enjoying your meal?” asked the Beast, trying to use the napkin, but wiping his paws on his jacket instead. “This is hopeless,” he thought.

“I’m not a gentleman. I’m just a beast. How could someone like Belle ever care for a beast?”





Belle could see that the Beast was uncomfortable. “Is anything the matter?” she asked him gently.

The Beast sighed. “I saw you in the garden today,” he began.

“I thought if I gave you those gowns, you might feel like a princess in one of those books you love so much. And then maybe, you might even . . . start to like . . . it here.” He looked down at his paws, too embarrassed to meet Belle’s gaze.

“So *you* gave me the gowns?” Belle asked softly.

The Beast nodded in reply.



“I love them,” she said. “They make me feel like a character straight out of the pages of a storybook.” Belle reached up then and unclasped the necklace. “But books make me feel even more special,” she said, handing the tiny book to the Beast.

“What’s this?” the Beast asked.

“It’s a story I’ve written just for you,” Belle told him.

“For me?” asked the Beast in disbelief. “But why?”

“I want to thank you,” said Belle, “for the books in the library, for the beautiful gowns . . . and for being my friend.”

And with those words, the Beast found himself feeling hopeful and happy. The beautiful Belle did care for him after all! “Shall we go to the library and read it together?” the Beast asked Belle, gently taking her hand in his. “I have a feeling this will be the best story ever.”

The End





This month's princess theme is dress up.

These crafts and activities will show you different ways
to dress like a princess.

Belle's Crafts & Activities

Belle loves dressing up almost as much as she loves reading her books. Turn the page to discover Belle's crafts and activities all about dressing up!



Belle's Book Necklace

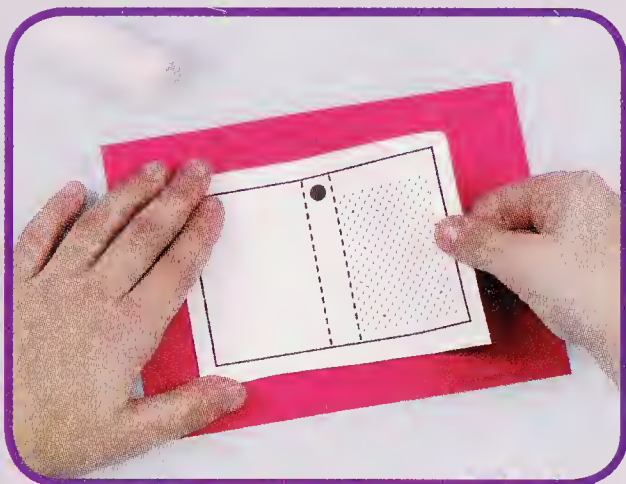
You can easily make your own special book necklace like Belle's.



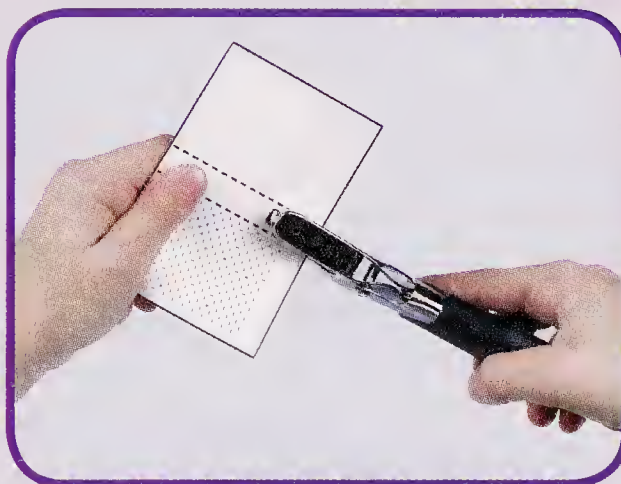
What You Need

- Pencil
- Scissors
- Card stock (any color)
- Hole punch
- 8-inch (20-cm)-long piece of ribbon, 1/8 inch (3 mm) wide (any color)
- White glue
- Small pad of self-stick notes
- Fabric, stickers, markers, and other items to decorate your book
- Chain-style necklace with clasp (any size or color)
- White paper
- Glue stick

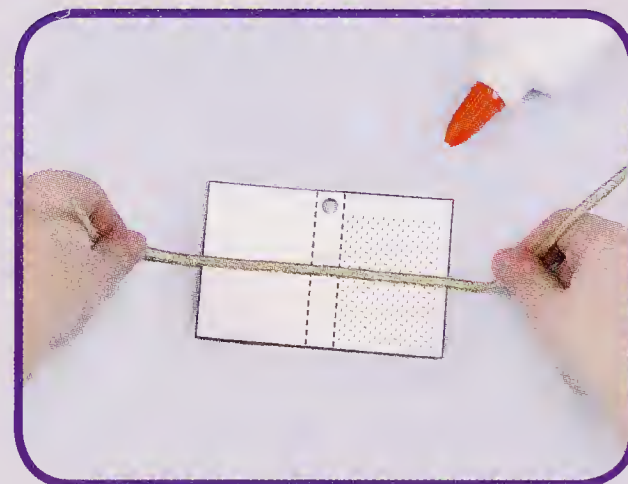
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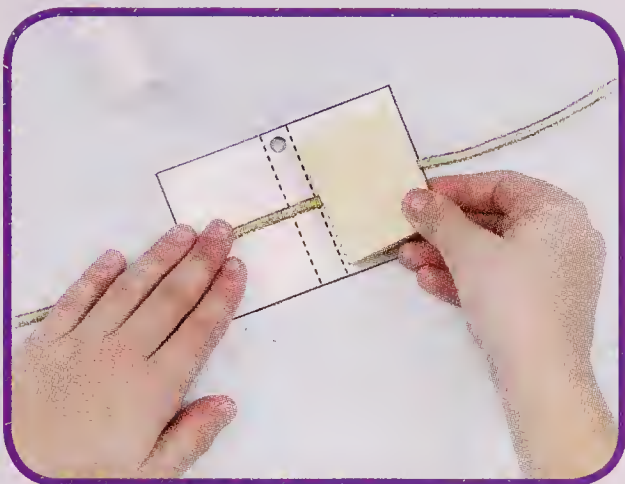
1. Trace the shape and all the marks inside it on page 31 onto white paper. Cut out the shape about 1/4 inch (6 mm) outside the solid outer lines. Glue the shape onto the card stock.



2. Trim carefully along the solid lines. Punch out the circle where shown.



3. Place the ribbon across the center of the shape as shown and glue the ribbon in place.



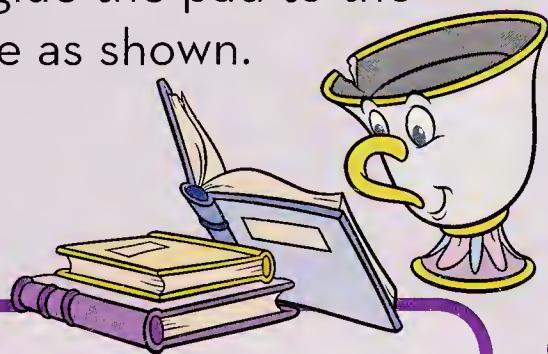
4. Smear some glue on the bottom sheet of the pad. Line up the spine of the pad with the dashed lines and glue the pad to the shape as shown.



5. Crease the card stock along the dashed lines to make the book cover. Decorate the cover with fabric, stickers, markers, or anything else you like.

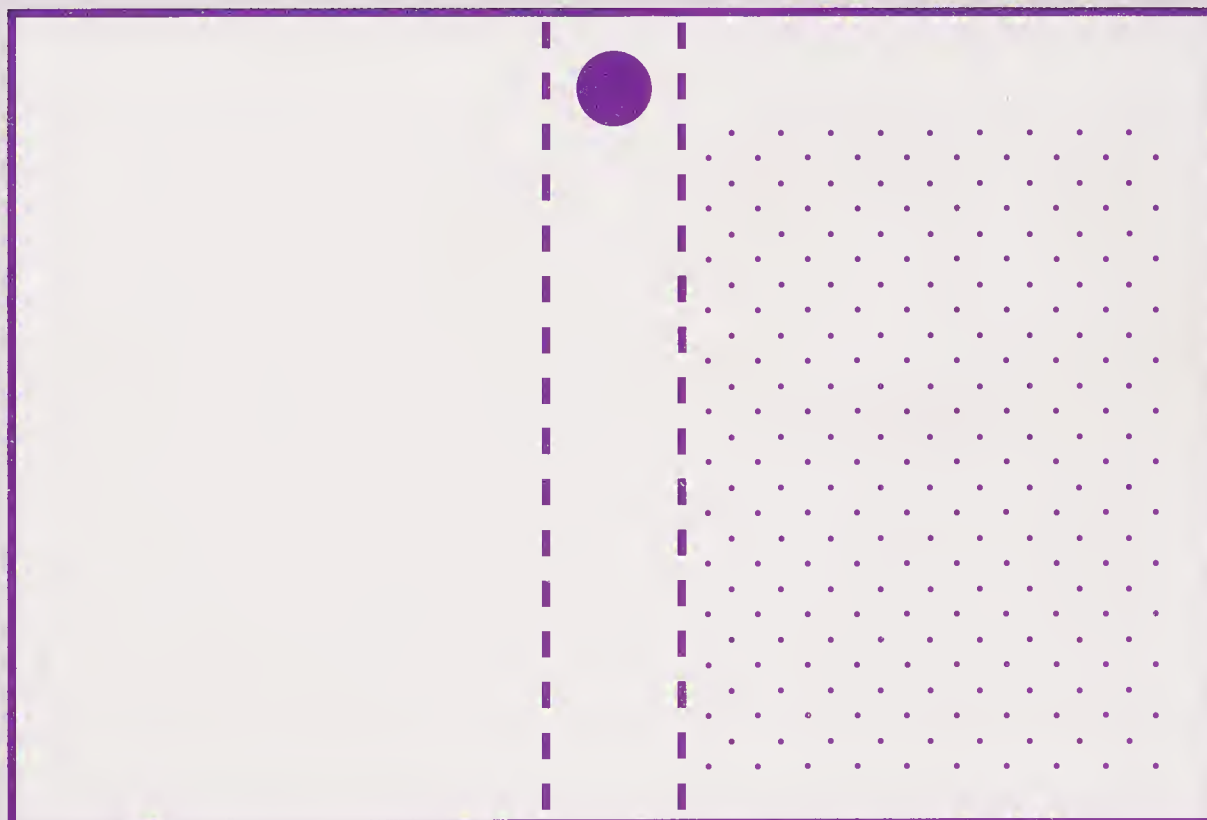


6. Tie the ends of the ribbon in a bow to close your book. Then string the necklace through the hole in the book's spine.



Written with Love

Use your book necklace to delight your friends. Open your book, pull out a sticky note, and write a message or draw a picture on it. Then stick the note somewhere your friend is sure to see it.



Fancy Royal Bracelet

Belle dreams about wearing royal jewels. See how it feels with this fancy bracelet.



What You Need

- 24-inch (61-cm)-long piece of elastic cord
- Removable tape
- 40 faceted beads, 6-mm size (any colors)
- Scissors



To make one bracelet, with a grown-up's help:



1. Fold the elastic cord in half. Tie a knot about 1 inch (2.5 cm) from the fold as shown.



2. Use removable tape to stick the loop to a flat surface. Holding both ends of the cord together, string two beads onto the cord.



3. Separating the two cords, string four beads onto one cord. Then string four beads onto the other cord.



4. Repeat steps 2 and 3 three times. The bracelet should be long enough to go around your wrist.



5. Tie the two loose ends and the looped end together in a double knot. Use scissors to cut off the extra cord.



Royal Idea

Make a simple beaded necklace to match your bracelet: Start with a 24-inch (61-cm)-long piece of elastic cord. String faceted beads onto the cord until you like the way your necklace looks. Then tie the ends together in a double knot. You'll feel positively royal when you wear your necklace-and-bracelet set!

Jewelry for Any Occasion

Princesses should have jewels to match every gown in their wardrobe. Follow steps 1 through 5 to make lots of bracelets with different kinds of beads. Every morning, choose a bracelet that complements your outfit. Very pretty, Princess!

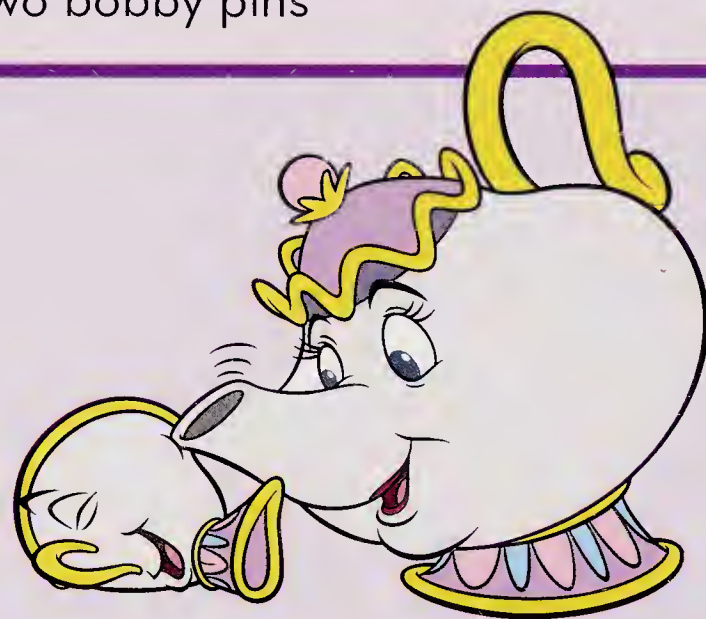


Princess Tiara

When Belle dresses up, she always chooses a special hairstyle. Make your hairstyle special with this shiny tiara. It will add a princess touch to any outfit!



- Two 12-inch (30-cm)-long metallic gold chenille stems (pipe cleaners)
- 12 pony beads (any colors)
- Two bobby pins



With a grown-up's help:



1. Hold the chenille stems (pipe cleaners) together with the ends lined up. Slide on 11 of the beads.



2. Center the beads along the chenille stems. Then bend up both ends of one stem on each side of the beads as shown.



3. Curve the ends of these two stems down to make arcs above the beads as shown. Push the stems between the third and fourth beads from each side where shown.



4. Bend the ends back and around the beaded section as shown.



5. Poke the last bead onto the ends of both stems. Bend the loose ends of the stems into a heart shape as shown.



6. Bend the ends of the remaining chenille stem into a semicircle. Put on the tiara and use the bobby pins to hold it in place.



Royal Idea

Belle likes her gold dress best. Use yellow or gold beads if you want your tiara to look like one Belle would choose.



The Princess Salon

When princesses dress up, they don't simply choose a fancy gown. They pay attention to their hair and nails as well, because a princess always wants to look her very best from head to toe! Here are some ways for you and your friends to get that princess look every day.

Princess-Perfect Hair Bun

For formal dinners, Belle loves to put her hair up in a neat bun. Anyone with medium to long hair can wear this hairstyle.

With a grown-up's help:

1. Gather your hair into a ponytail.
2. Twist the ponytail into a "rope".
3. Starting as close to your head as possible, wrap the hair rope around itself. Keep wrapping until you have made a tight bun.
4. Tuck the end of the ponytail between the base of the bun and your head.
5. Twist a scrunchie around the base of the bun to hold your new hairstyle in place.

Pretty Short Styles

Princesses with short hair can also make their hair fancy. Use styling gel to give the hair volume. Add pretty combs, clips, or headbands for a sparkly surprise.



Royal Nail Care

Belle likes to keep her hands clean and pretty. You can, too. Follow these easy instructions to shape and polish your fingernails for a princess-perfect manicure.

What you need:

- Wooden nail stick
- Nail file
- Nail polish (any color)
- Clear nail polish
- Tiny stickers

With a grown-up's help:

1. Wash your hands and then use a wooden nail stick to gently remove any dirt under your nails.
2. Use a nail file to smooth any rough edges.
3. Brush on your favorite polish. Give the polish plenty of time to dry before you touch it. Use quick-drying polish for faster results.
4. Add a coat of clear polish. When the clear coat dries, your nails will be shiny all over.
5. When your polish is completely dry, put a small sticker on each nail. Tiny hearts, flowers, stars, and other decorations make your fingertips extra fancy.







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Storybooks with Crafts & Activities

To please Belle, the Beast presents her with a wardrobe full of beautiful gowns. While she tries them on, Chip discovers a tiny book on a chain tucked into a pocket of one of the dresses. How will Belle ever repay the Beast for his kindness? The answer can be found on the tiny pages of her special book.



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